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Progress toward performance of the tasks and accomplishing the goals set forth in the two year Research Grant included primarily analysis of digital data sets and determination of methodology associated with the analysis of the very large, unique and complex collection of digital solar magnetic field data.

The treatment of each magnetogram as a unique set of data requiring special treatment was found to be necessary. It is determined that a person familiar with the data, the analysis system, and logical, coherent outcome of the analysis must conduct each analysis, and interact with the analysis program(s) significantly - sometimes many iterations for successful calibration and analysis of the data set. With this interaction, the data sets yield valuable, coherent analyses.

During this period, it was also decided that only data sets taken inside heliographic longitudes (Central Meridian Distance) East and West 30 degrees (within 30 degrees of the Central Meridian of the Sun). If the total data set is then found to be numerically inadequate for the final analysis, 30 - 45 degrees Central Meridian Distance data will then be analyzed.

The Optical Data storage system (MSFC observatory) has been found appropriate for use both in intermediate storage of the data (preliminary to analysis), and for storage of the analyzed data sets for later parametric extraction.

PLANS: Efforts during the next six months will be directed toward analysis of further observational data sets.

Attachments: One sample set of calibrated, analyzed data.

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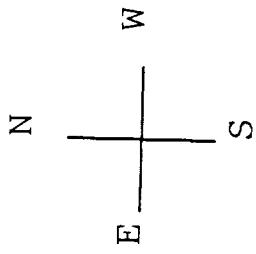
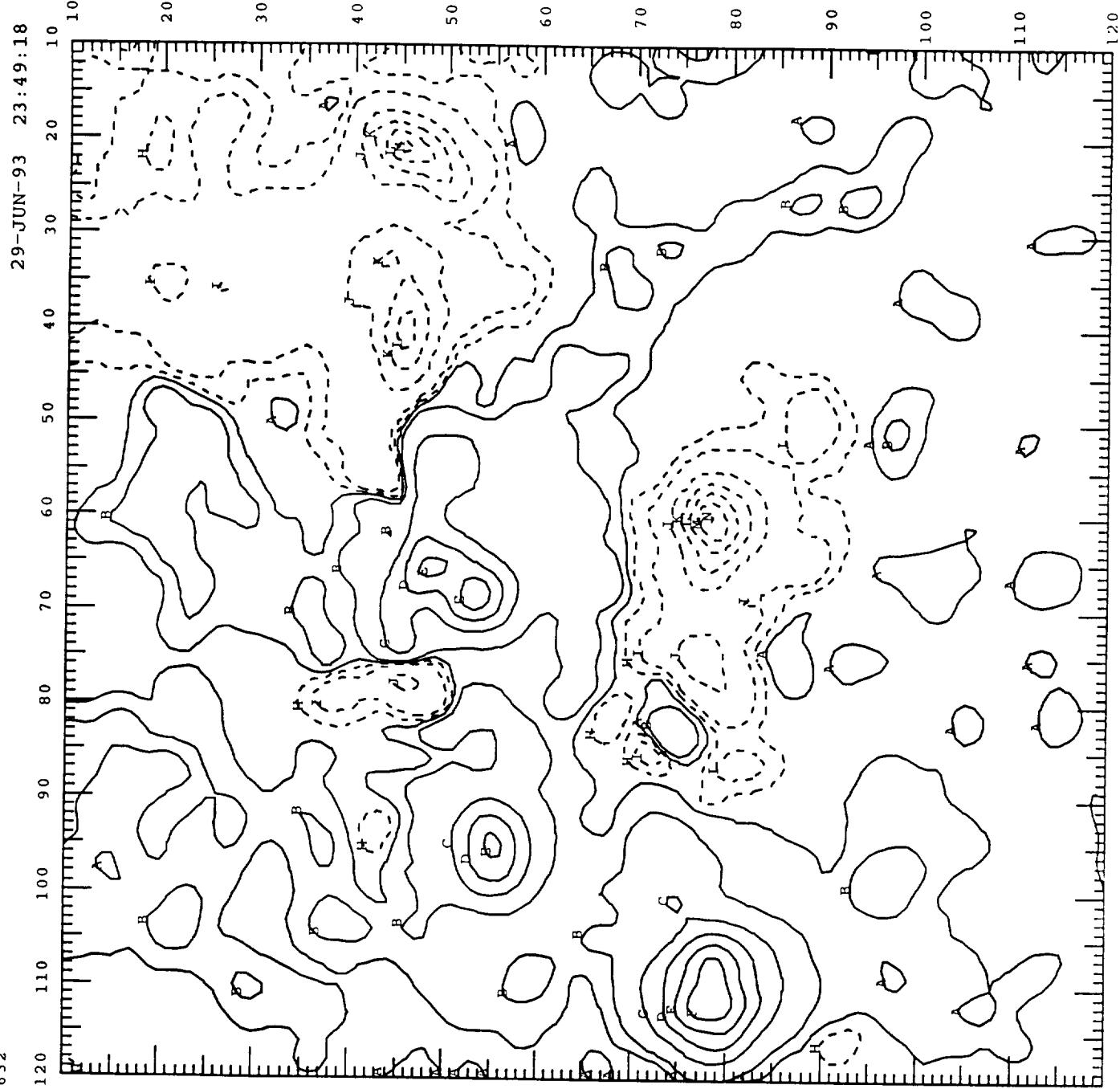
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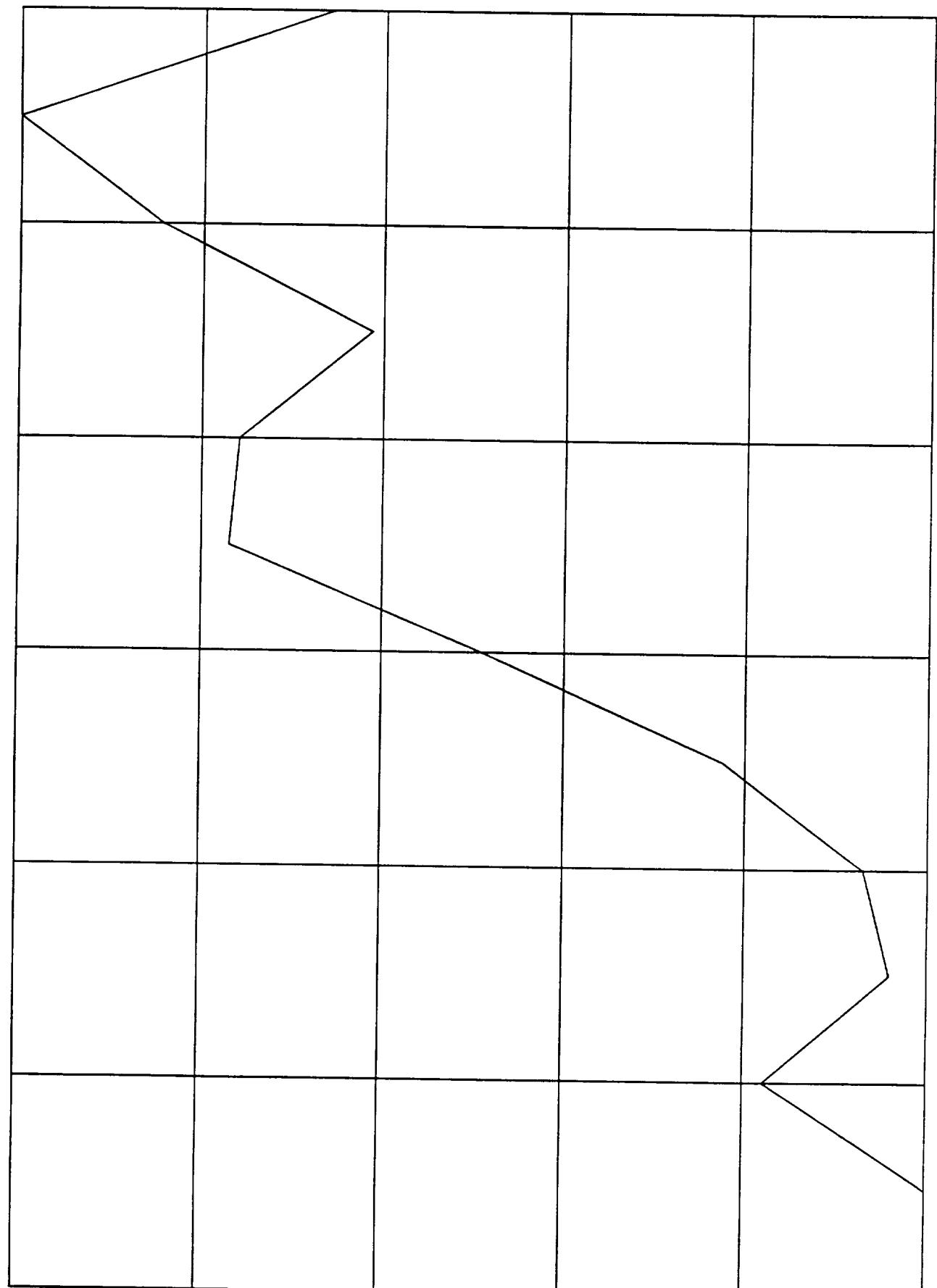
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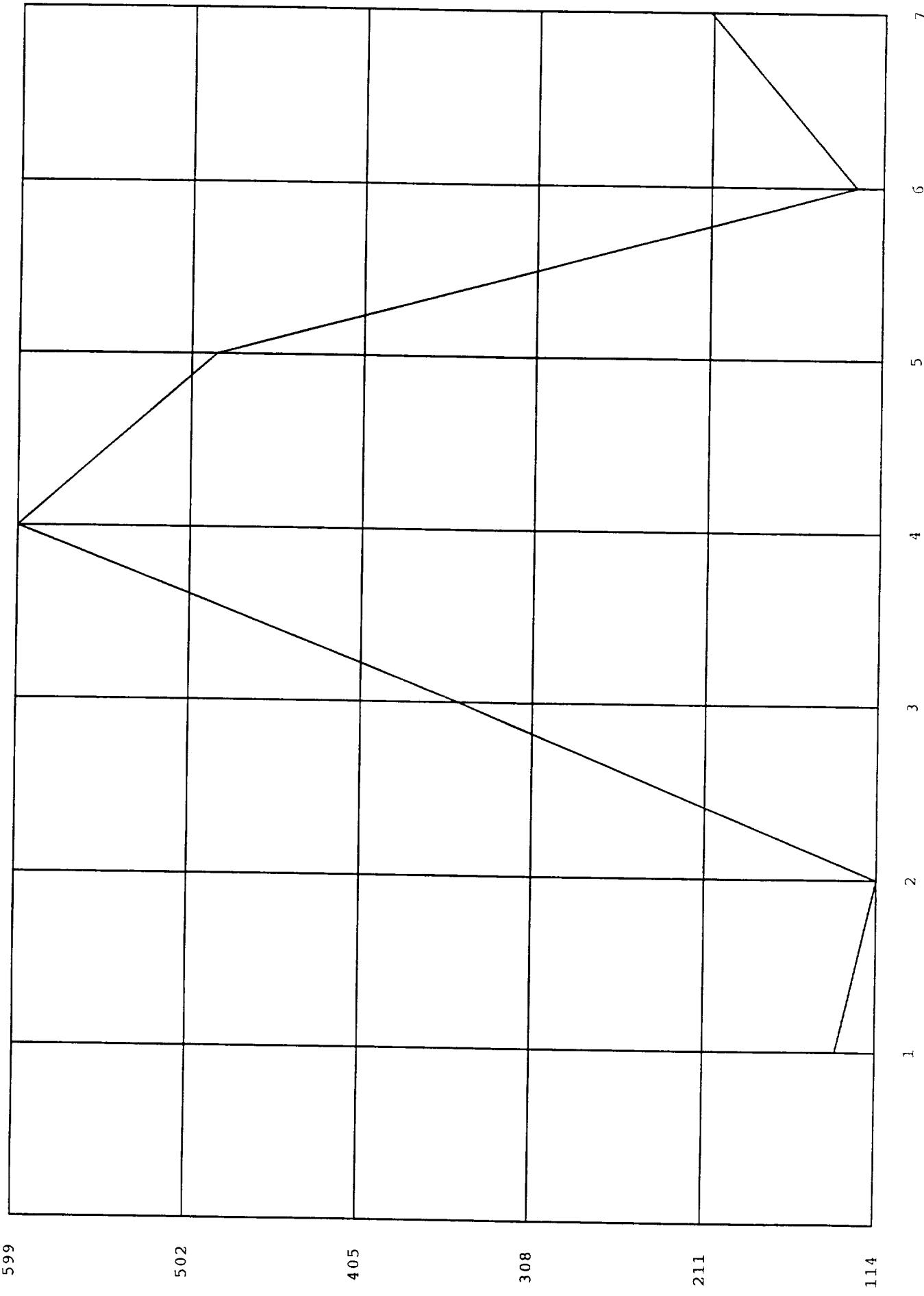
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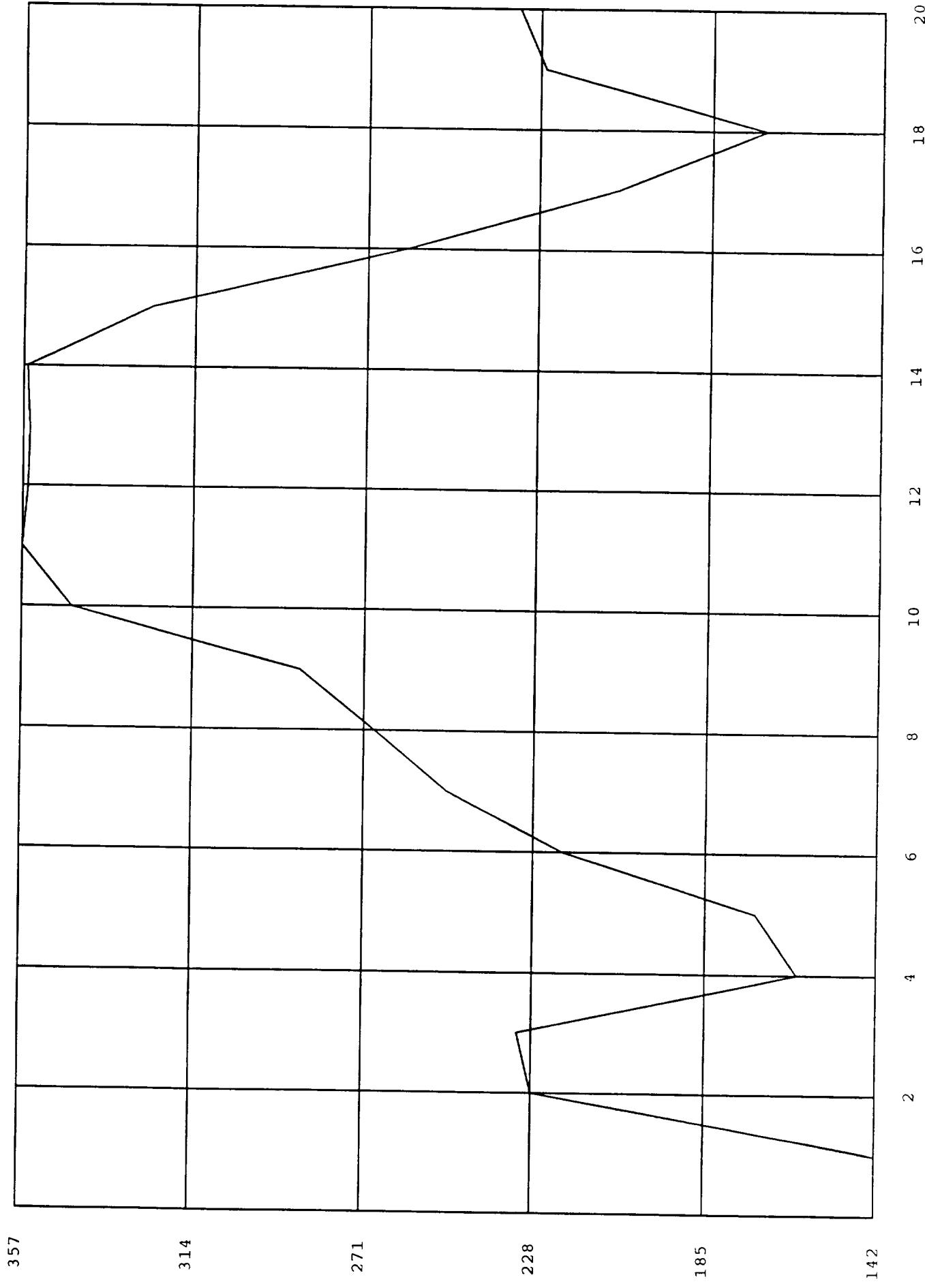
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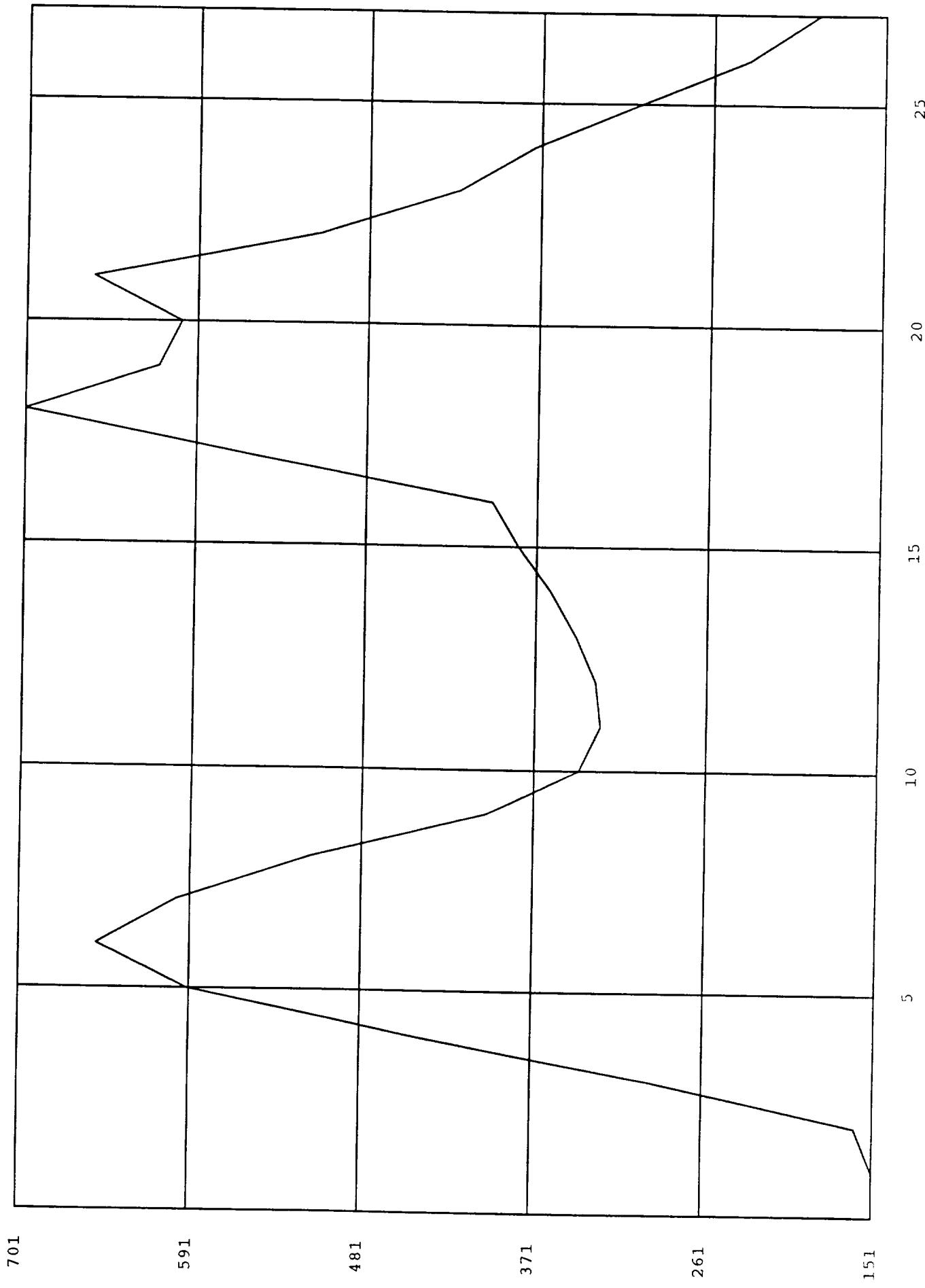
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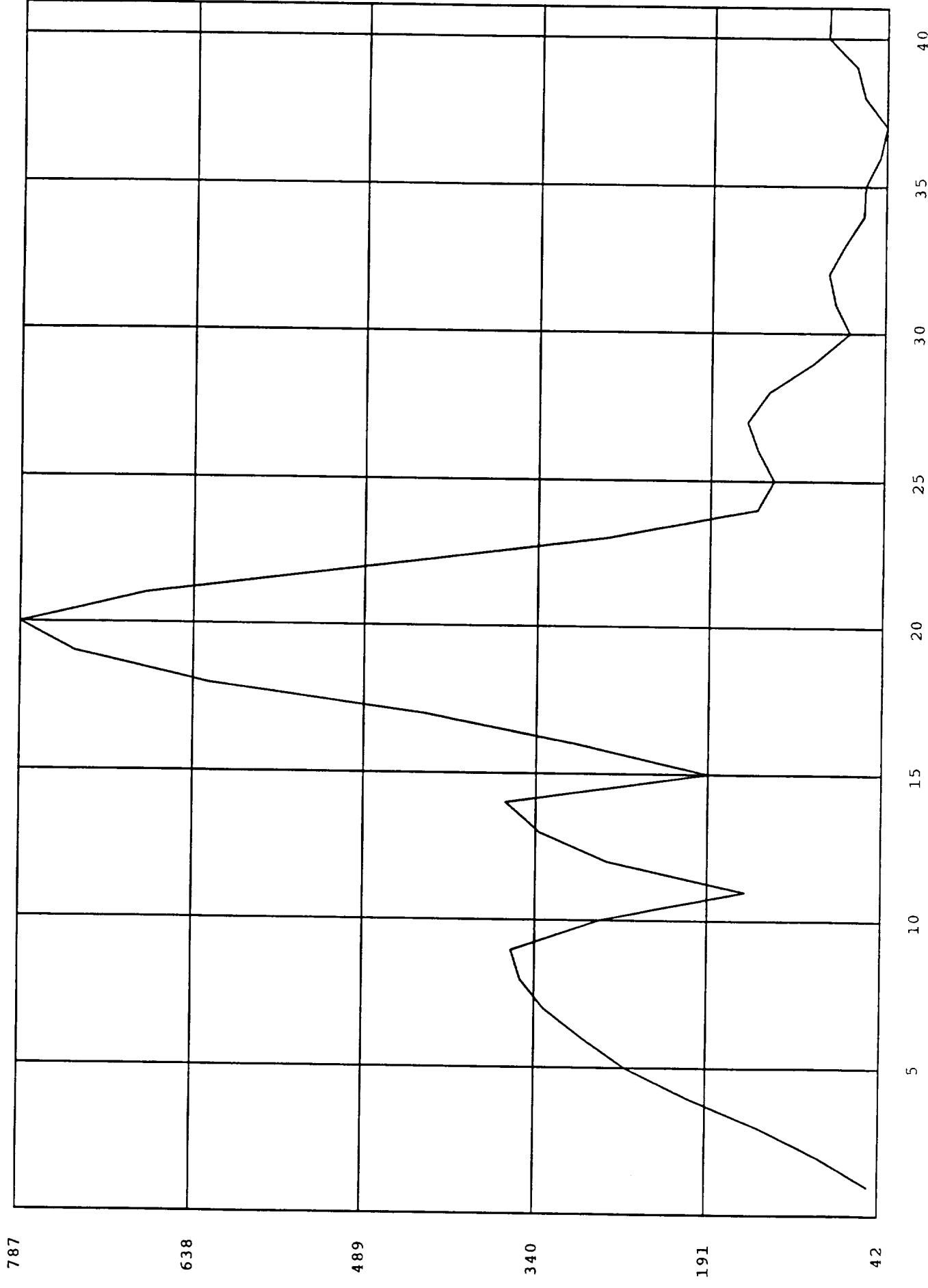
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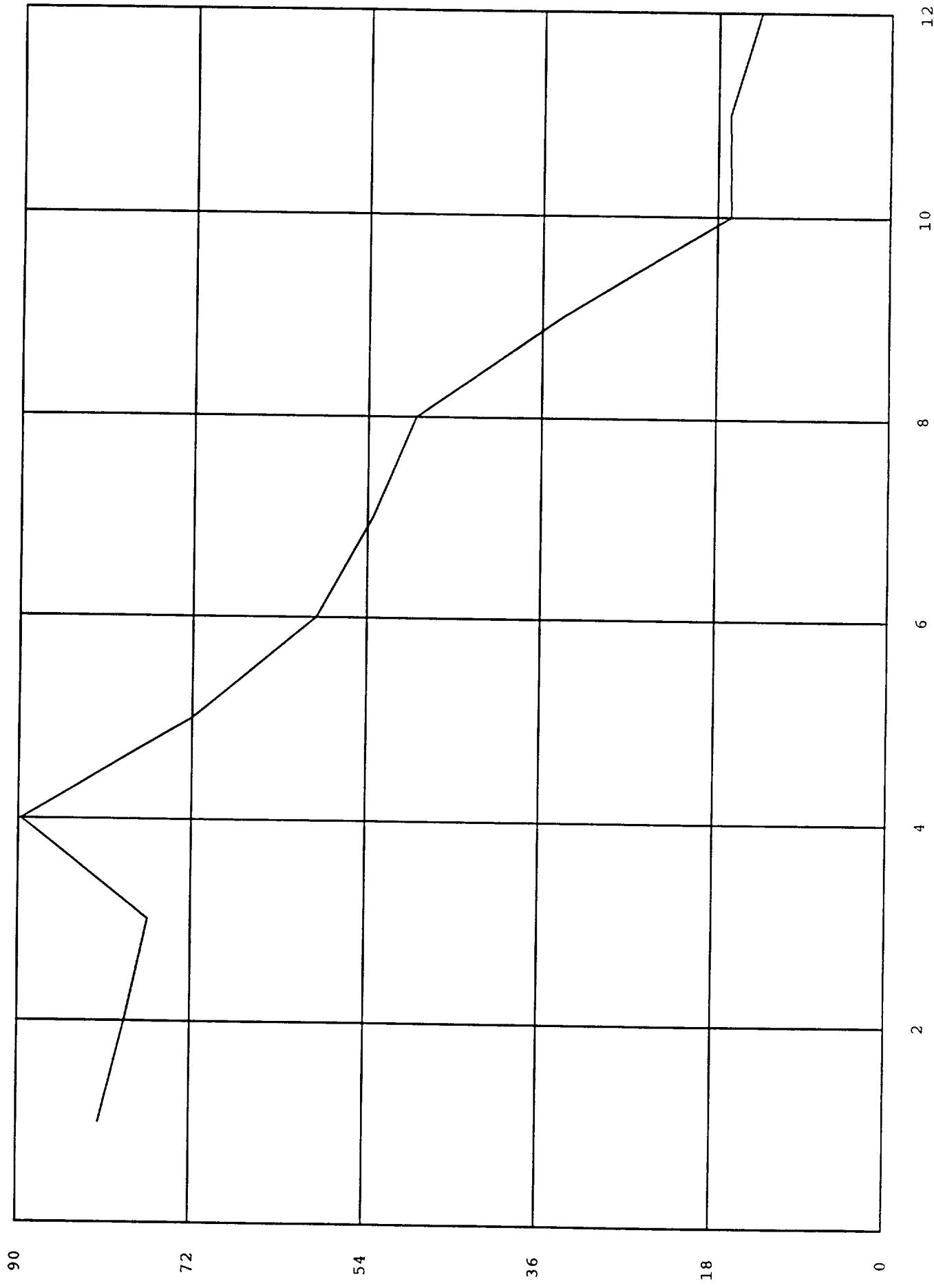
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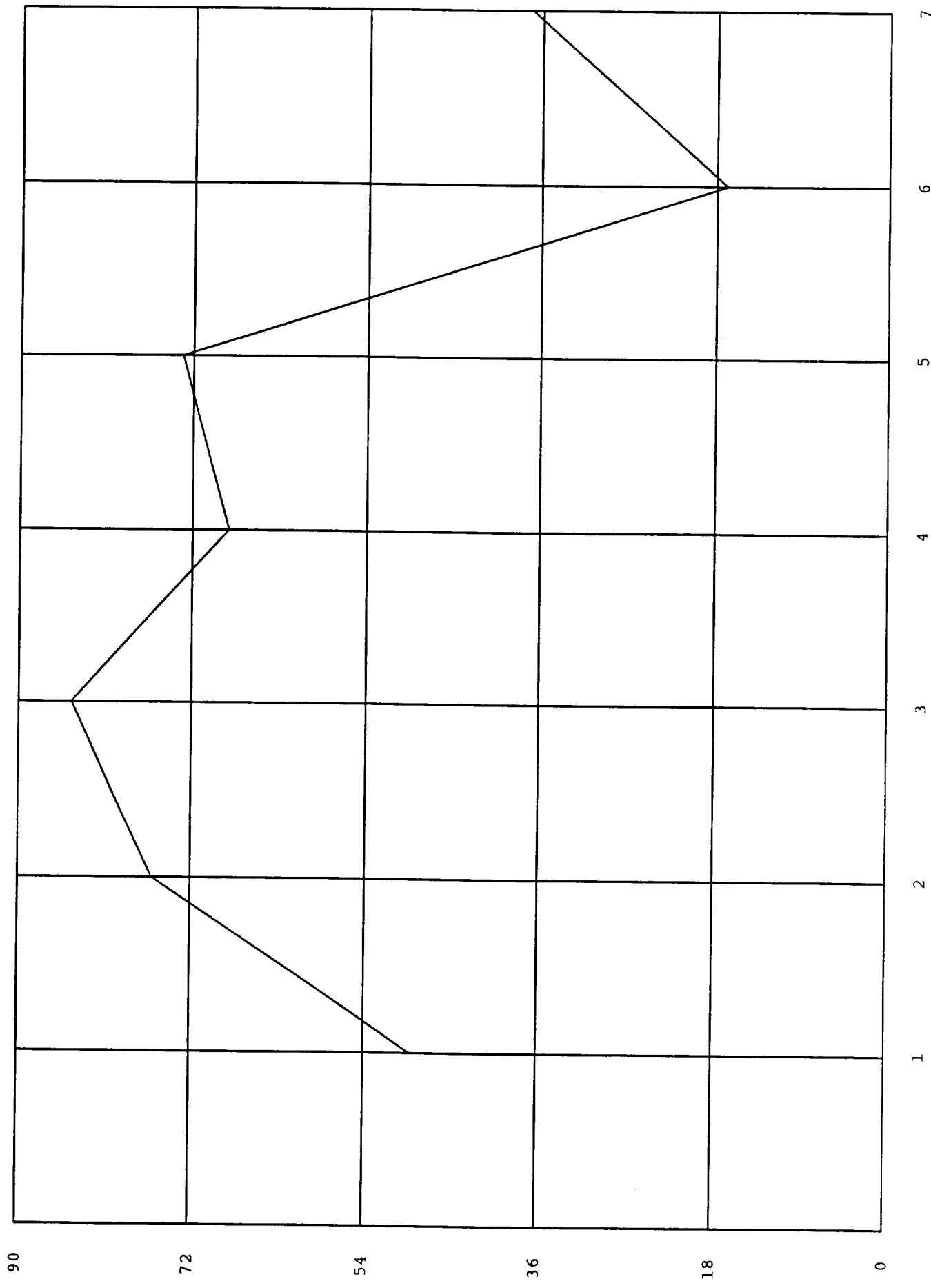


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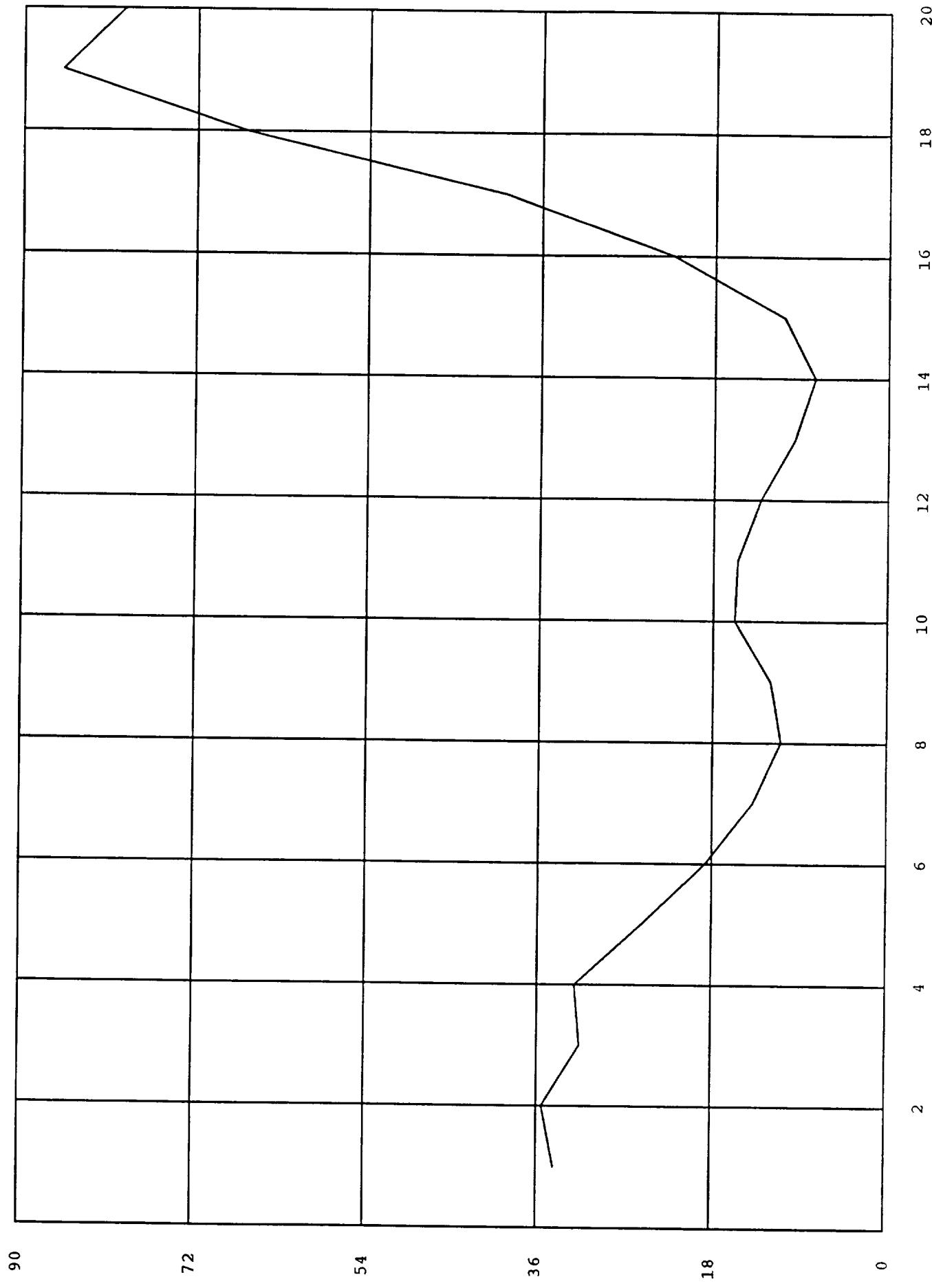


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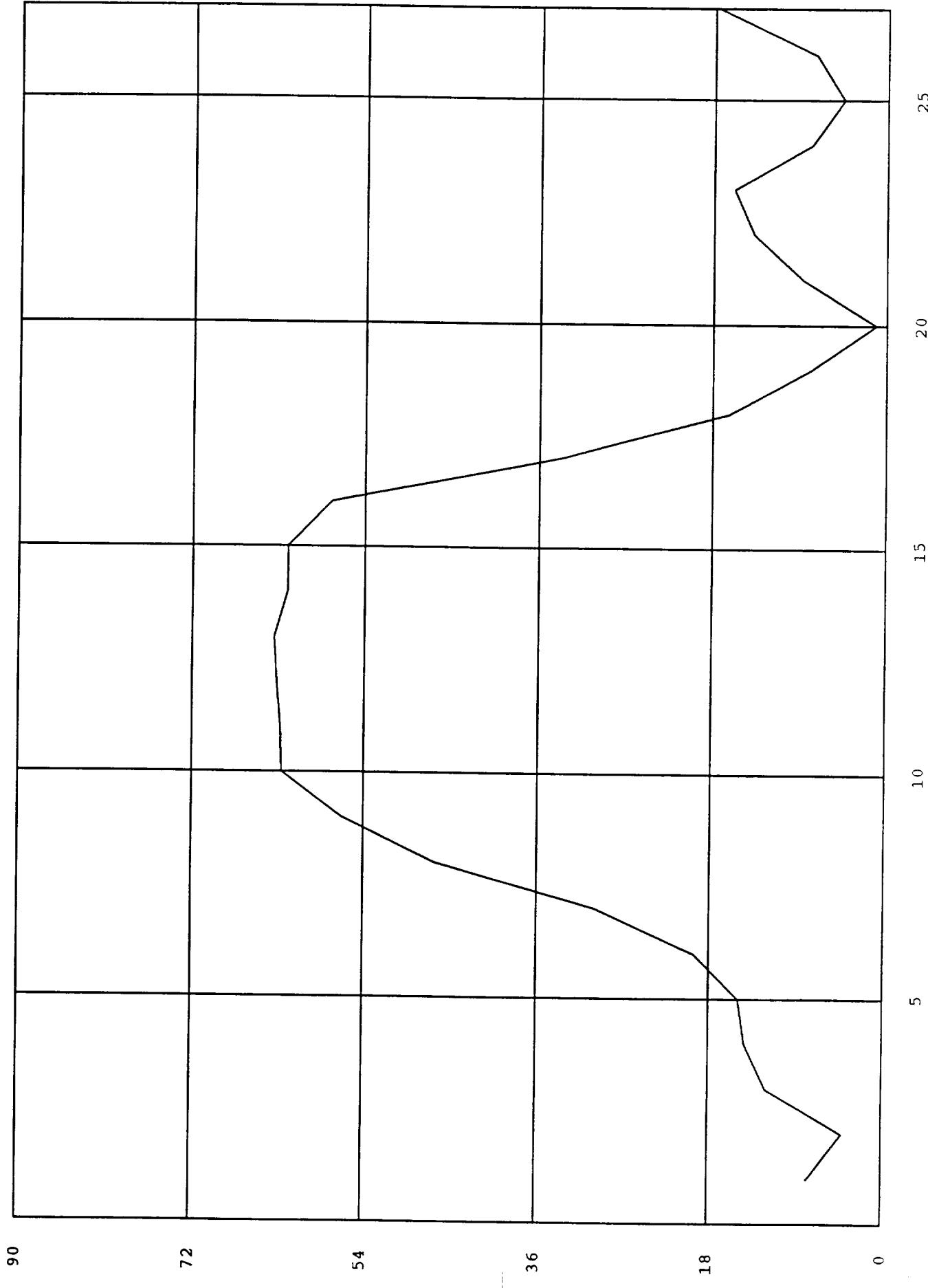
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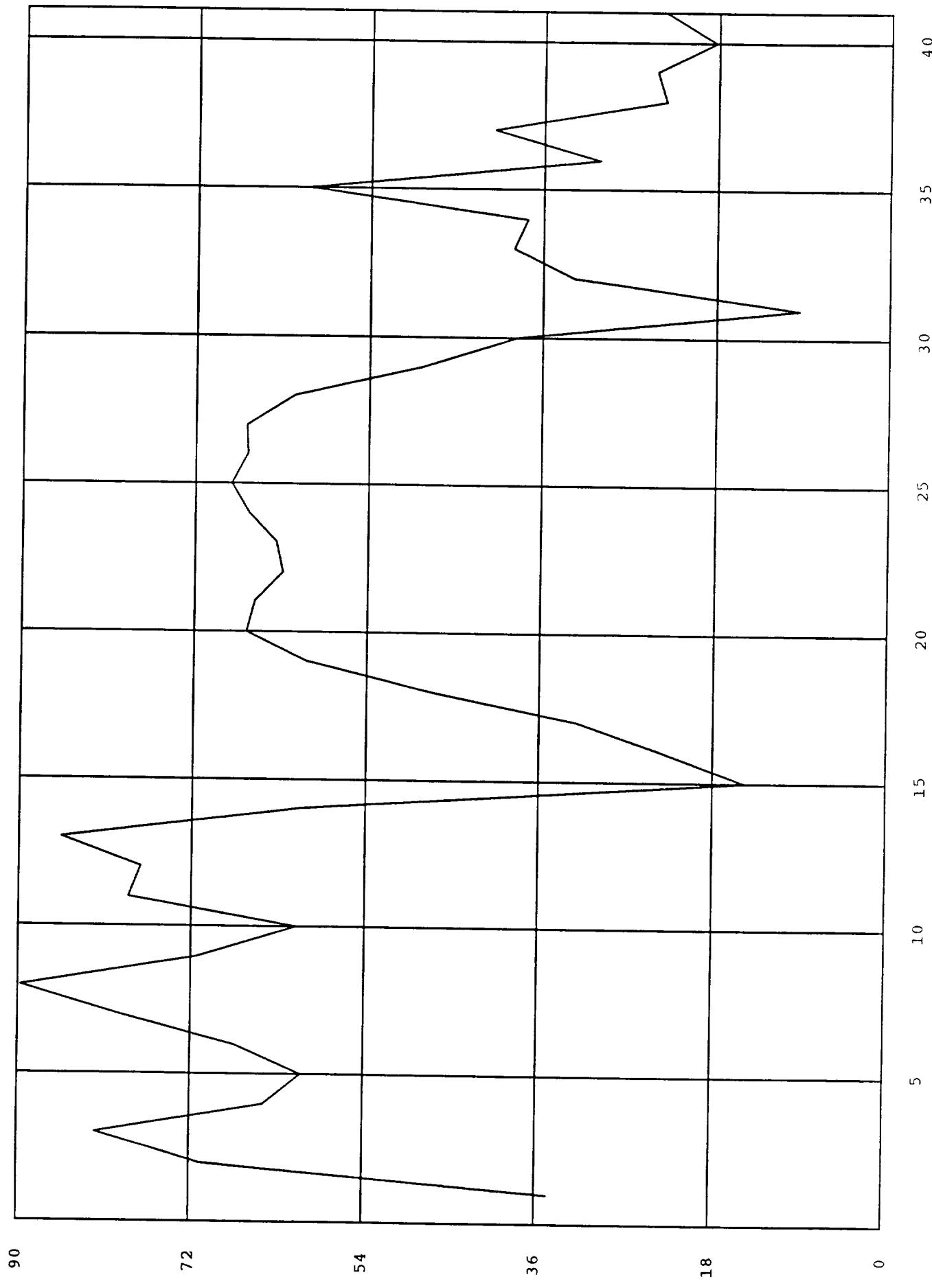
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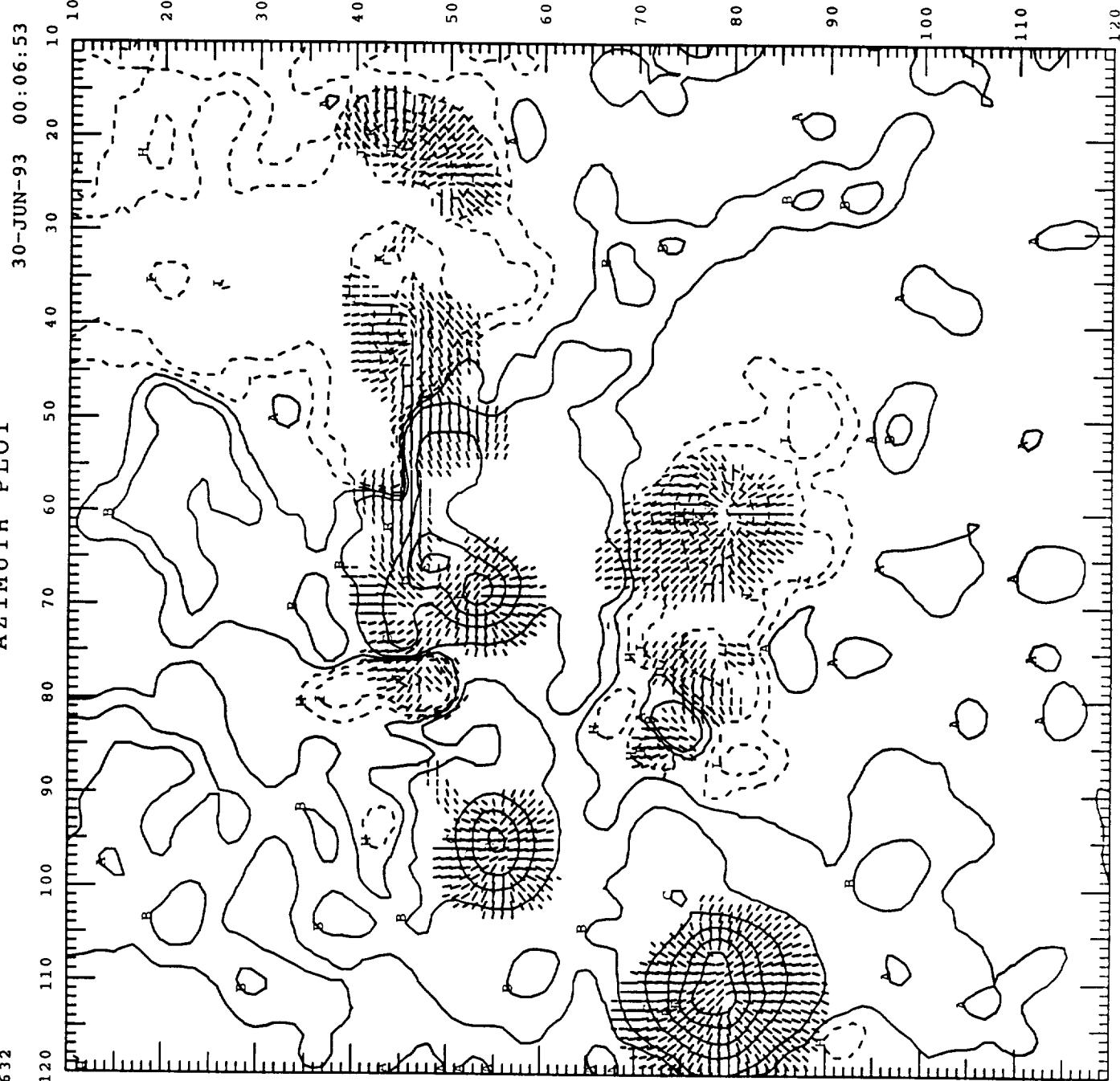
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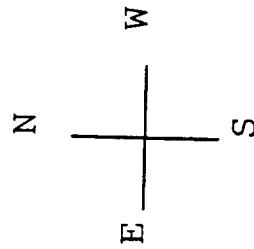
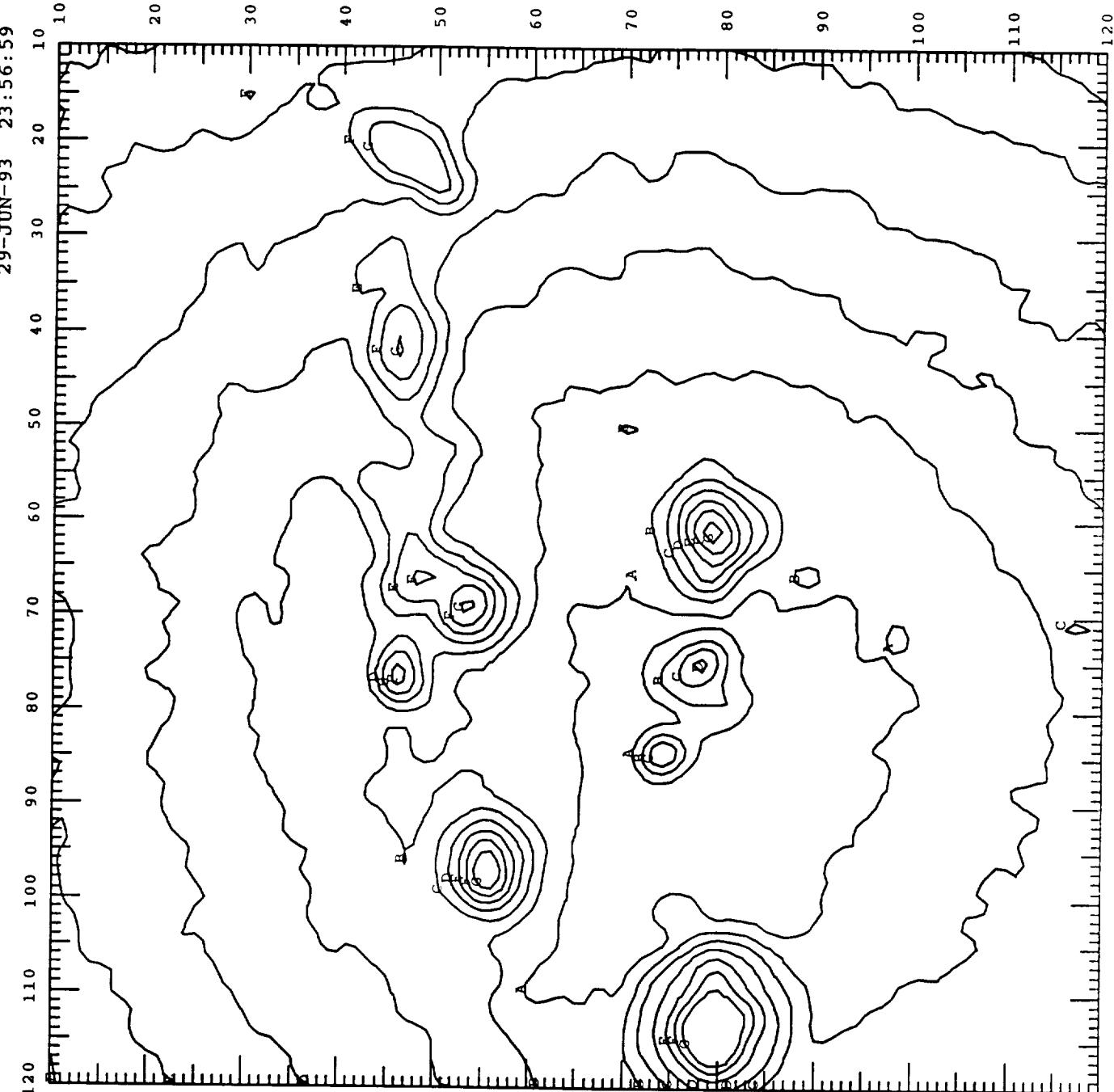
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